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FM AMEMBASSY BAMA KO

TO SECSTATE WASHEC PRIORITY 4570

INFO AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU

C O N F I D E N T I A L BAMA KO 3032

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, UV, US, ML

SUBJ: VOLTAN AMBASSADOR REQUESTS ASSISTANCE IN  
OBTAINING MILITARY EQUIPMENT

REF: (A) STATE 211207, (B) OUAGADOUGOU 2620, (C) BAMA KO 2321,  
(D) OUAGADOUGOU 2086, (E) 75 BAMA KO 4611, (F) 75 STATE 290330

1. EMBASSY CONCURS WITH EMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU (REF B)  
THAT, SINCE LEADERS OF BOTH COUNTRIES HAVE DECLARED  
THE BORDER DISPUTE OVER, THE PRESENT RECONCILIATION  
BETWEEN MALI AND UPPER VOLTA SHOULD BE ACCEPTED AS A  
PRACTICAL RESOLUTION OF THE BORDER PROBLEM.

2. PENDING FINAL RESOLUTION OF SOME UNCERTAINTIES  
(E.G. PARA 1 REF B, PARA 1 REF D) AND IN ORDER NOT  
TO DISTRACT FROM PRIMORDIAL U.S. HUMANITARIAN ROLE IN  
SAHELIAN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT MIGHT WISH TO  
CONSIDER INITIAL EASING OF RESTRICTIONS BY LIMITING  
SALES TO NON-LETHAL ITEMS. UPPER VOLTA MIGHT CHOOSE  
HOSPITAL TENTS OR UNIFORMS. MALI WOULD LIKELY WANT TO RENEW  
ITS WELL-KNOWN REQUEST FOR A LANGUAGE LABORATORY.

3. ASSUMING THAT MALI CONTINUES TO PRACTICE RESTRAINT  
ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES OF HIGH CONCERN TO THE USG, A  
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MODEST MILITARY SALES PROGRAM WOULD COMPLEMENT OUR  
DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE EFFORTS BY RESPONDING TO THE  
INTERESTS OF THAT SECTOR OF THE MALIAN ELITE WHICH  
IS LIKELY TO RUN THIS COUNTRY FOR SOME YEARS TO COME.  
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